AMENDMENTS'TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification as follows, with reference to the paragraph numbers shown in corresponding U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/0208203:

0007

Replace paragraph [0009] with the following rewritten paragraph:

Another object of this invention is to provide [[an]] an information processing terminal, a transmission privilege rounding system, a transmission privilege rounding method and transmission privilege acquisition rounding program in which an increase or decrease in the number of nodes on the same network does not affect existing nodes and the processing of rounding a transmission privilege to provide high reliability and ~~expendability~~ expandibility.

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Replace paragraph [0017] with the following rewritten paragraph:

In this configuration, the control means 103 extracts the default node ID0 of a transmission destination equal to the parameter thereof and updates the parameter to the default node ID0. In this way, synchronization adjustment of the parameter possessed on the same network can be done to improve reliability. In addition, the terminal newly added and the terminal restored from failure can automatically ~~posses~~ possess the parameter and easily connected to the network.

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Replace paragraph [0040] with the following rewritten paragraph:

FIG. 1 is a block diagram showing the configuration of a transmission privilege rounding

system according to an embodiment of this invention. As seen from ~~FIG. 4~~ FIG. 1, a transmission

privilege rounding system includes four nodes 100 to 130 connected to the same bus. Any number

of nodes can be connected to the bus. Namely, the number of nodes can be increased or decreased

as long as it is within a prescribed permissible number (the maximum number of nodes is defined

by n).

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